ALEXIAN BROTHERS COMMUNITY SERVICES

FACT SHEET

Alexian Brothers Community Services is a community-based program whose purpose is to serve the frail elderly residents of Hamilton County. Alexian Brothers Community Services is part of the national Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), which is based on the successful San Francisco model of long-term care for the elderly known as On Lok. Started locally in 1998, PACE is a jointly sponsored project of ABCS and the Tennessee Department of Finance and Administration, Bureau of TennCare.

Alexian Brothers Community Services enables its participants to remain independent in their own homes and communities through a unique system of managed care. Through a multidisciplinary team made up of physicians, nurses, medical social workers, health aides, transportation providers, rehabilitation therapists, a dietitian and others, an exclusive plan of care is determined for every participant with a preventive approach. Progress is constantly monitored for each participant to keep problems to a minimum and help avert health catastrophes.

SERVICES

Once a participant is enrolled in the program, Alexian Brothers Community Services provides all necessary health care services. Most care is delivered in an adult day health center setting at 425 Cumberland Street, preserving the participant's community residence, family relationships, and lifestyle.

Some of the services provided include:

Primary medical and nursing care; physical, speech, and occupational therapies; meals and nutritional counseling at the day center or in the home; recreational therapy; social services for the participant and family; in-home health and professional care; pharmaceuticals and durable medical equipment; medical specialist services; transportation; hospitalization; skilled nursing facility care; and respite care. Access to care is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

ELIGIBILITY

Participants must be at least 55 years old,

live in Hamilton County,

meet TennCare criteria for nursing home level of care, and be assessed by the PACE multidisciplinary team as being appropriate for PACE Program services.

For more information call 423-698-0802.

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